

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge. It is your legal responsibility to air opposing views. They are required to provide some balance to their newscasts and to give air time to opposing views.

If you do go ahead and force stations to show your new campaign film Stolen Honor (disguised as news), you MUST give some balance to the program by also airing one such as Going Upstream shortly thereafter.

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Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.